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## HEAVY CASUALTIES IN ANTI-JAPANESE TROUBLE IN CHINA

### Tokyo Govt. Orders Four Warships Rushed to Zone of Strife

## SITUATION RIVALS THAT AT NANKING A YEAR AGO

40 Japanese Soldiers Killed and More Than 100 Chinese—Civilians Reported Massacred by Looting Nationalists—Foreigners Other Than Japs Not Believed Molested Thus Far—Fighting Resumed.

By the Associated Press.  
Anti-foreign outbreaks at Tsinan-Fu, Shantung province, which may have surpassed in seriousness those at Nanking more than a year ago, have resulted in heavy casualties among Chinese and Japanese troops, dispatches from China and Japan indicated today.

Death Toll Is Heavy.  
Tokyo dispatches say that as many as forty of their soldiers have been killed in fighting there, while Chinese dispatches to Shanghai give the Chinese dead from Japanese machine gun fire at 100 with a large number of wounded.

In Tokyo the situation is regarded as most serious and four warships have been dispatched to Tsinan, the coast terminus of the railroad to Tsinan. Other warships have been sent to Yangtze ports and other South China ports where Japanese nationals live to protect them there in the event the Tsinan trouble has repercussions elsewhere.

Details Are Lacking.  
The trouble at Tsinan is said to have started following lower anti-Japanese outbreaks when Japanese troops attempted to disarm the Chinese. Scanty dispatches which filtered from the city did not indicate whether the Japanese troops, no known to number over 2,000 at Tsinan, have taken an organized stand against 20,000 nationalist troops said to have invaded the city, or have just encountered small organized bands. That this latter may be the real case is indicated in continued reports that the nationalist troops are out of control of their generalissimo, Chiang Kai-shek, and have been guilty of extensive looting and other depredations in the city, which they took from the northerners only early this week.

There have been no reports of demonstrations at Tsinan-Fu against foreigners other than Japanese since the death of the missionary, Dr. Seymour, April 16.

The situation at Tsinan held the Chinese news spotlight with the northern forces apparently attempting to form a new line of defense north of Shantung province and well into Chihli province.

Fighting Resumed.  
Tokyo, May 4 (UP)—Official dispatches from Tsinan today said Chinese nationalist forces re-opened their attack at 2 a. m. today when (Continued on Page 10)

## 68 TO SEEK LIBERTY FROM PARDONS BOARD

### Cianfone and Ruggiero Cases Scheduled for Monday Hearing

Hartford, May 4 (UP)—Sixty-eight men on whom the word has already turned its back will seek "another chance" when the state board of pardons meets at Wethersfield state prison Monday.

Each of the petitioners will have the opportunity to tell why he thinks he should be freed to a board which had the right to commute a sentence or free outright. The state's attorney, Hugh M. Alcorn, will argue for or against the prisoners.

Of the group who now seek freedom, 49 have been refused in previous years.

Unnumbered reasons have been given by the petitioners. Applications submitted to Vine R. Parmelee, clerk of the board of pardons, ask for mercy, justice or "fair play." Some say they have had sufficient punishment.

Perhaps the most important case to be argued is that of "Cowboy" Joseph Cianfone and Michael Ruggiero, sentenced in 1922 for the second degree murder of Enio Renaldino, New Britain bootlegger, at Farmington in 1920. The prisoners will be represented by William H. Lewis, widely-known Boston negro criminal lawyer. Alcorn will oppose the release.

Since sentence was imposed, Dominick Crapone, star state witness has signed an affidavit in which he swears his testimony which convicted the men was perjured. Crapone claims he was forced to testify against his two friends. At the trial he testified he drove the automobile in which the two convicted men rode to kill Renaldino and that he witnessed the killing.

Among the 49 who have previously made vain appeals are Gabriel Berker and George A. Fine of Norwich, both sentenced on charges of (Continued on Page 25)

## NEW HAVEN MAN KILLED BY COLONIAL EXPRESS

### Frank J. Reilly Meets Instant Death On Tracks As Saybrook This Morning

Saybrook, May 4 (AP)—Frank J. Reilly, 24, of 48 Wilson street, New Haven, son of Alderman James W. Reilly of that city, employed in the signal maintenance department of the New Haven Railway system, was instantly killed today when he was struck by the Colonial Express near here.

Reilly was working a short distance west of Saybrook failed to note the approaching express, Washington bound, and was hurled a considerable distance. He was dead when picked up.

## BROKER AND WAR VET MYSTERIOUSLY KILLED

### C. R. Winant of New York Dies After Apparently Being Beaten

New York, May 4 (AP)—Cornelius R. Winant, stock broker and brother of former Governor John G. Winant of New Hampshire, died last night at the Princeton club under circumstances which caused a police investigation today.

Dazed and bleeding from the nose and with scratches on his face, Winant entered the club at 8 o'clock and died two hours later.

Dr. Charles Norris, chief medical examiner, ordered an autopsy when he noted a bruised nose and possible fracture of the skull.

When Winant entered the club two members assisted him to his room. He was visited there by his brother and two friends. They called Dr. S. B. Ross, who left after giving him some medicine and calling a male nurse. Shortly after the nurse arrived Winant died.

Detectives said Winant had been alone in his room at the Hotel Weston for several days and had been drinking heavily. They started an inspection of several known speakeasies on the theory that he had been attacked.

Winant, who was 31 years old, and a member of the class of 1918, Princeton, was one of the first men to join the American field ambulance corps, an organization of college men, which served with the allied armies during the war. He enlisted in 1915. He served with Section 3 on the western front and was gassed. Winant was one of a group of eight men in his unit to be decorated gallant action in picking up wounded around Monastir under heavy shelling in May, 1917. He also received the croix de guerre.

After America's entry in the war he became a captain in the United States army engineers. He was captured by the Germans early in 1918, later escaping from a prison camp at Glessen and making his way on foot and without food for two days into Holland.

He was unmarried and was a member of the stock brokerage firm of Kelly, Drayton and Corvise.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick A. Winant, his brother, the former governor, and two other brothers, Frederick A., Jr., of Portsmouth, N. H. and Clinton D. Winant of New York.

Winant died from loss of blood incident to a broken nose suffered in an assault or a fall, Assistant Medical Examiner Gonzales announced after an autopsy today.

City Toxicologist Gettler announced after an analysis of Winant's brain that Winant was drunk at the time he was injured, estimated by Dr. Gonzales to have been about three hours before he died.

The autopsy showed that the bridge of Winant's nose had been broken and that he otherwise was injured about the face and body.

## HAD TWO HOMES AND LIVED DOUBLE LIFE

### Bridgeport Woman Freed from Man Who Maintained Menage in New Haven Too

Bridgeport, May 4 (UP)—Margaret McBeth's description of her husband's secret menage at New Haven, gained her a divorce today from Clement McBeth of Bridgeport and New Haven.

Mrs. McBeth introduced testimony that her husband had two homes, with her and with a 19-year-old New Haven girl who had born him a daughter.

Mrs. Margaret Jacksonville of New Haven was named as mistress of McBeth's Orange street establishment at New Haven.

## T. C. HART HEADS FLYING COMPANY

### Air Transportation Corporation Has Passenger Plane

### FOUR LOCAL OFFICERS

### Instruction in Aviation Will Also Be Given by Pilot Employed by Group of Young Men Who Have Incorporated For \$50,000.

Four local men are officers of the H. & H. Transportation Co. which has been incorporated for \$50,000, \$3,500 of which is paid in, to conduct an air transportation and passenger service, and to instruct in aviation.

Theodore S. Hart is president of the group, Stanley Hart is vice-president, M. G. Steele is secretary.



THEODORE S. HART

and V. C. Hart is treasurer. James Chamberlain is one of the subscribers, as is also Judge A. W. Creedon of Hartford. With the exception of Messrs. Steele and Creedon, all are residents of this city.

It is the plan of the corporation to carry on its business at Brainerd flying field in Hartford, and offices have been established at 50 State street. The company owns one three passenger Challenger plane and it is planned to add other equipment from time to time. It is not the plan of the officers to do the actual flying themselves, having engaged an expert pilot for this purpose.

The president of the new corporation is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Hart. He is a former member of the Yale varsity football squad.

## DENIAL IS MADE THAT LENROOT WAS BRIBED

### Letter Introduced at Inquiry Says He Was Not Paid For Opposing Walsh Measure

Washington, May 4 (UP)—A letter denying that former Senator Irvin L. Lenroot of Wisconsin received \$20,000 from utilities interests for fighting the Walsh utilities investigation resolution was entered on the record today in the federal trade commission's utilities inquiry.

Payment of \$20,000 to Lenroot was reported in testimony recently given by Ira L. Grimschaw of the joint committee of National Utilities associations. Grimschaw said Lenroot was engaged as counsel to oppose the Walsh resolution which called for a senate investigation of the power industry.

In the letter, Elisha Hanson, Lenroot's law partner, said the joint committee engaged the firm of Lenroot, Hanson, Smith & Lovett, and did not deal with Lenroot individually. He said that checks, though made out to Lenroot personally, were turned by him into the firm's account.

The commission admitted into evidence a letter from Richard Washburn Child, former ambassador to Italy, who was shown in the joint committee's records to have received \$2,500 for writing a book on Boulder Dam.

Child explained that he had received the money as an attorney in payment for writing a brief on Boulder Dam. As the brief was for the benefit of several persons, Child said, he did not sign it. He emphatically affirmed his opposition to government ownership projects.

## Big Parade of School Children in New Haven

New Haven, May 4 (UP)—More than 10,000 pupils of parochial and public schools were in the line of march today for the biggest parade of children New Haven has ever witnessed. The loyalty parade came as the climax of Boys' and Girls' Week.

Mayor John B. Tower and a number of the most prominent men of the city occupied the reviewing stand erected on the green which was decorated in honor of the school children.

## Congressmen Who Appear on Duty Under Influence of Drink Are to Be Publicly Announced by Press

### Washington Daily News Announces Intention of Showing Up Co-Called Dry Members Who Undertake to Discuss Affairs of State While Intoxicated.

Washington, May 4 (UP)—The Washington Daily News announced editorially today that it proposes henceforth "to publish as news the appearance on duty of any so-called dry member of the house or senate in an obviously intoxicated condition."

The decision was made to "put an end to such hypocrisy," the News said.

"The spectacle of a senator or representative, under the influence of liquor, undertaking publicly to discuss affairs of state, is always disgusting," the editorial said. "When such a senator or representative is one who consistently votes for prohibition, the hypocrisy and rank abuse of special privilege makes the spectacle intolerable."

The newspaper admits that congressmen have as much right to the "synthetic pleasure" of drinking as anyone else. It says the "great majority" of members of both houses are "gentlemen, capable of controlling their appetites." And it adds that "on the whole, probably, there are as many or more teetotalers among the dry-voting members as among the wet-voting members," though "this is a question that has never been decided."

The News says it does not intend to "snoot" and explains: "But when a fire-eating prohibitionist wanders aimlessly about the senate chamber during the discussion of important business and finally interrupts to ask the presiding officer, 'Whims business before House?' or when a similar exponent of the Volstead law has to hang hard to the edge of his desk, while his legs wobble unsteadily under him, as he attempts to make a speech, or when a champion of the 18th amendment indulges in snoring sleep in the midst of a senate session, the News will undertake to make his condition clear to its readers."

## BRITISH WARSHIP IS SINKING AFTER CRASH

### Bacchus Previously Had Rammied and Sunk Greek Steamer in Channel

Plymouth, Eng., May 4 (AP)—The British warship, Bacchus, which sank the Greek steamer Ioannis Fafalos off the Isle of Wight, is reported to be sinking in the channel.

The Bacchus has been abandoned by her crew and the survivors she picked up from the Greek ship.

London, May 4 (UP)—Lloyd's dispatches from Saint Catherine's Point, Isle of Wight, state that the Greek steamer Ioannis Fafalos was sunk by the British warship Bacchus at noon today.

The ship, which was of 1,998 tons net register, had a crew of 22 which is reported to have been picked up by the Bacchus. Earlier wireless dispatches from the Bacchus said that the men were in the water. The sinking occurred about 100 miles south and west of the Isle of Wight. All ships in the vicinity have been asked to keep watch for survivors.

London, May 4 (UP)—The British warship Bacchus sank an unknown ship about a hundred miles south and west of the Isle of Wight at noon today, according to a radio received at St. Catherine's Point, Lloyd's dispatches say. The dispatch from the ship said: "Have sunk unknown ship. Men in water. Am standing by, picking up."

## DRUNKEN DRIVER HAD CARGO OF EXPLOSIVES

### New York Truckman Under Arrest and Held in Bonds of Thousand Dollars

New York, May 4 (UP)—John English of the Bronx was held in \$1,000 bail today charged with driving a truck of dynamite while drunk.

English was arrested when a truck of the Dittmar Powder Works of Rochester, N. Y., which he was driving collided with another truck.

The arresting officer said English was hardly able to stand and hearing was set for May 11.

## Naval Construction Plans Are Criticized

Washington, May 4 (UP)—Construction of naval vessels in government naval yards was criticized as extravagant today when Rear Admiral Charles F. Hughes, chief of naval operations, appeared before the house naval affairs committee to ask additional appropriations for reconditioning the battleships Oklahoma and Nevada and the submarine V-4.

"The government has never built a ship within the amount congress has authorized," said Representative Vinson, G., ranking democrat in the committee.

Hughes asked \$650,000 more for completing reconditioning of the three vessels. Congress already has appropriated \$13,150,000 for the battleships and \$6,300,000 for the submarine.

Vinson and other members of the committee suggested that the appropriation need not be requested until the beginning of next congress.

HOME FOR RED MEN  
Wildwood, N. J., May 4 (UP)—Plans for a national home for aged and needy members of the improved order of Red Men as well as help for their needy children were launched yesterday at the opening session of the 77th Great Sun Council of the Great Council of New Jersey.

THE WEATHER  
New Britain and vicinity: Unsettled tonight and Saturday; probably local thunder showers Saturday afternoon or night; rising temperature tonight.

## METHODISTS WANT PARTIES PLEDGED

### Adopt Resolutions Calling for Strict Enforcement Planks

### SOUTHERNER GIVES VIEWS

### Declares in Open Convention that if Certain Man—Presumably Smith—Is Nominated the Solid South Will Be Only a Memory.

Kansas City, Mo., May 4 (UP)—A demand that the national conventions of each of the political parties write into their platforms a plank committing the party and its candidates "to the strict enforcement of the prohibition law," and its candidates "to the strict enforcement of the prohibition law," was contained in a resolution adopted today at the quadrennial general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church.

The resolution, introduced by Ernest S. Cherrington, executive secretary of the Anti-Saloon League of America, provided for the appointment by the board of bishops of five of its own members as a committee to present the resolution to the platform committee of each party.

"The church," the resolution said, "will not be lulled into silence by evasive answers or vague promises from the major political parties."

C. C. Selemann, president of Southern Methodist university, Dallas, Texas, brought the conference delegates to their feet in an outburst of enthusiasm when he declared:

"If a certain man who you all know, and whom I need not mention, is nominated for president, the solid south will be only a memory. It emphatically will not support any presidential candidate who will not support prohibition."

"The Methodist Episcopal church, south, may not be able to unite ecclesiastically but they certainly will unite in the defense of the American institution," he declared.

Adoption of the resolution was by unanimous vote. It called for strict enforcement, not only of the prohibition laws, but also of "all other provisions of the constitution and laws of the nation."

Type of Men Wanted  
The political conventions will be asked to "nominate for president and vice-president only men whose records and attitudes will guarantee the proper administration and enforcement of the prohibition statutes."

"The church cannot be lulled into silence and inactivity by evasive promises, indecisive declarations, and uncertain candidates for executive or legislative offices in the states or nation," the resolution said.

"Regardless of time and effort required, we are determined in every proper and judicious manner to prosecute the proper administration and enforcement of the prohibition statutes."

## FAILURE TO WORK DUE TO MISUNDERSTANDING

### Supt. Doyle of Charity Department Explains Confusion

A misunderstanding rather than a refusal to work resulted in 14 who are on the charity list failing to receive city employment yesterday, Supt. John L. Doyle of the department of public welfare reported to Mayor Paonessa today following an investigation.

The municipal employment bureau took the names of 16 men from the charity list and placed them in labor gangs to begin work yesterday morning. The men say they were notified to report Thursday but did not understand that it was for the purpose of going to work, their purpose being that they would then be told on what day they would be given employment. All claim to have called at the bureau at some hour during the day, but they found their places filled.

Supt. Doyle lost no time in making a check-up after learning that the men were not present to receive instructions. Had it been found there were refusals to work, the names of the men would have been taken from the charity lists.

The first installments of the sewerage extension program to be worked out in conjunction with the movement to furnish employment to men out of work, will be started Monday when operations will begin on Burrill street and on McClintock road.

Two labor gangs will be sent out, one in charge of Foreman Frank C. Riley and the other under Foreman Thomas J. Devine. The workers will be recruited from the group of unemployed whose applications are on file at the labor bureau being conducted by James Desmond for the board of public works.

## Sheriff Cunningham Is Formally Under Arrest

Philadelphia, May 4 (UP)—Sheriff Thomas Cunningham was arrested today by U. S. marshals and taken before Federal Judge Dickinson for hearing on a warrant seeking his removal to Washington.

Cunningham was indicted in Washington on evidence that he refused to tell the senate investigating committee where he obtained the \$50,000 he contributed to the 1926 campaign funds of Senator-elect William S. Vare.

If Cunningham loses in the hearing, Golden will appeal the case immediately to the circuit court of appeals.

## PUBLIC WORKS INQUIRY OPENS AGAIN ON MONDAY

### Investigation Interrupted By Election Activities To Be Resumed By Council Committee

Investigation into the activities of the board of public works will be resumed Monday night, Chairman W. Scudling Warner of the council's committee said today. He has called a meeting to be held in Room 201, City Hall, at 8 o'clock.

The committee held two hearings and then adjourned subject to the call of the chair. The city election intervened and as a result there is now but one of the original board of six members still on the commission. It is the expectation of the committee that the probe will be completed Monday.

## GENERAL MOTORS IN ANOTHER BIG SPURT

### Rises With Market to High Figure of \$203 Per Share

New York, May 3 (AP)—A sensational buying movement in General Motors common stock, which quickly advanced \$6.50 a share to a high record at \$203, started a wild bullish demonstration today on the New York stock exchange. Scores of other issues advanced \$1 to \$5 a share. Retention of the four per cent dividend rate by the New York federal reserve bank, allaying fears of an immediate credit stringency, stimulated the buying movement.

So great was the volume of trading that the ticker quickly fell behind the market. General Motors opened with a block of 11,000 shares at the split price of \$198-1/2 and then bounded upward to \$203. American Can opened with a block of 20,000 shares at \$89 and the first sale of Richfield Oil of California was \$10.00 shares at \$45.50. An opening transaction of 10,000 shares of Chrysler at \$75 was followed by another block of 10,000 shares at the same price.

New high prices for the year, or longer, were registered by American Telephone at \$176, International Telephone at \$170, Rock Island common at \$117.87 1/2, Columbia Gas at \$111.62 1/2, Missouri Pacific common at \$66, Southern California Edison at \$52.25, North American Co. at \$73 and Howe Sound at \$57.25.

Buying orders poured onto the floor from all sections of the country. Leading commission houses, with wires to the west and south, were swamped with business. Overworked clerks and bookkeepers struggled to keep pace with the tremendous volume of trading, and looked forward to the resumption of business tomorrow when they hoped to be able to catch up with their work. In many brokerage houses, the task of moving into new quarters over the week-end complicated the routine work of the office.

Telephone and telegraph linemen have been working all night for the last two weeks in the financial district in a desperate effort to connect telephones, stock, curb, commodity and news tickers so that no house will be without these facilities during business hours.

The buying movement broadened as trading progressed with the public utilities assuming a more prominent part in the advance. Columbia Gas ran up \$4.50 a share to a new high at \$114.50 and American Telephone, International Telephone, North American company and a few others extended their early gains to \$3 a share or more. Curtiss Aeroplane soared \$1 a share to a new high at \$100.25. General Motors held within a \$1 or so of its high level with buying stimulated by unofficial predictions of a substantial extra cash dividend on May 10.

## DECISION RESERVED

### Public Utilities Commission Makes No Finding on New Haven Railroad's Request

Hartford, May 4 (UP)—Decision was reserved today by the public utilities commission at a hearing on the petition of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad company, to purchase \$350,000 in stock of the Providence, Pawtucket & Woonsocket Co. of Providence, R. I.

The company has been formed by the railroad and the produce dealers of the city, who were recently ordered to discontinue using the streets for display of their wares. They moved to the stock will be used to release mortgages on the site of the proposed building, in order that a building loan may be secured. The railroad will lease the building to the merchants. There was no opposition to the plan, which was explained by Eugene Phillips, counsel for the road in Rhode Island.

## Geo. Tucker, New Haven G. A. R. Veteran, Elected

New Haven, May 4 (UP)—George Almon Tucker of New Haven was elected department commander at the final session of the state G. A. R. encampment here today. He is succeeded by Charles M. Shaller of Devon. Other officers named were: James Haggerty of Willimantic, senior vice-commander; Frank A. Cargill of Bridgeport, junior vice-commander. Other officers will be named before the close of the session.

The Women's Relief Corps which is also holding its annual convention in connection with the G. A. R. encampment will name officers this afternoon.

## Brother of Henry Rayno Is Dead in Ticonderoga

Henry Rayno of 382 Monroe street today received word of the sudden death of his brother, Fred, of Ticonderoga, N. Y. Details of the death were not included in the message. Henry Rayno is representative in this territory of the Western Paint and Varnish Co.

## Life Boat With Two Bodies Is Picked Up

Halifax, N. S., May 4 (UP)—A lifeboat in which were bodies of two men tied to seats was picked up on the fishing banks by the Nova Scotia fishing schooner Ruth Adams. The men are supposed to have been the crew of the Dutch steamer Colosso, wrecked near Scattered, C. B. has been around the ear.

## NEW ANGLES COME INTO KNAPP CASE AT TODAY'S TRIAL

### Prosecution Seeks to Show That Her "Good Reputation" in Financial Things Was False

## DEPARTMENT STORE WAS PRESSING FOR PAYMENT

### Evidence Presented Today Tends to Bear Out State's Contention That Former New York State Secretary Diverted State's Funds to Own Use to Meet Her Obligations and Pay Her Private Bills.

Court House, Albany, N. Y., May 4 (UP)—Two new angles in the case against Mrs. Florence E. S. Knapp, former secretary of state, appeared during the forenoon session of the special term of supreme court here where she is being tried for grand larceny in connection with the diversion to her own use of a state-consumable pay check for \$2,875.06.

Attack on Reputation  
One was an attack by prosecution upon her "good reputation" as described by a representative of the C. H. Edwards & Son department store of Syracuse, where Mrs. Knapp purchased furniture and other wares paid for partially by the proceeds of the check in question. It was brought out for the first time that her transactions with the store included the offering of a \$500 check in the latter part of 1925 which had been returned protested from the bank for "insufficient funds."

Back in Payments  
The other new angle was the fact that the Edwards store had been urging her late in 1925 and early in 1926 to make payments on her large accounts there. This was established by the introduction of two letters to her from the store. The prosecution has already indicated this as one of the motives behind her diversion of census funds.

Just before luncheon adjournment, Mark Stern, who was deputy secretary of state, under Mrs. Knapp, gave direct testimony to the effect that Mrs. Knapp had endorsed checks for her relatives. This was shortly after Secretary of State Robert M. La Follette, Knapp's successor, had testified at length concerning efforts to locate "missing records" of the secretary's office relating to the 1925 census and with the declaration that Mrs. Knapp had finally said she had burned them.

Mr. Stern testified he had occasionally been given checks for Mrs. Knapp's relatives by her to cash or turn into bank drafts. In response to questioning he said he had noticed the endorsements and that, some of them at least were in Mrs. Knapp's handwriting.

Night Session Likely  
When the trial was resumed today, counsel was informed of the possibility of a night session tonight and probably another session all day tomorrow. Justice Stephens Callaghan, presiding over the special term of supreme court, indicated his desire to expedite the case as much as possible.

The grand jury which returned the indictment on which Mrs. Knapp is being tried and 11 others against her, held a portuncatory session this morning. They met and adjourned almost immediately.

Store Clerk Testifies  
The first witness of the day was Patrick J. Sullivan, general manager of the E. W. Edwards and Son, department store of Syracuse, where Mrs. Knapp bought furniture which she is alleged to have paid for with proceeds for a check for \$2,875.06 in favor of her stepdaughter, Clara Blanche Knapp, which Mrs. Knapp is charged with forging.

Sullivan testified as to accounts of Mrs. Knapp with the store, on January 25, 1925, shortly after Mrs. Knapp became secretary of state, she owed the store about \$2,000, Sullivan said, which was increased later.

In February, 1926, Sullivan testified, he received a bank draft for \$2,875.06, the amount of the check Mrs. Knapp is alleged to have diverted to her own use without authority, and credited Mrs. Knapp's accounts with a total of \$2,029.10.

Another Check Shown  
Another check was presented and identified as received by the store. This was for \$232.22, dated December 1, 1926, drawn to C. H. Smith, (Mrs. Knapp's brother). George Z. Medalle, chief prosecuting attorney, asked the presiding justice to compare writing of the endorsement with that of Mrs. Knapp. Sullivan testified that the amount of the check was credited to Mrs. Knapp's account.

Sullivan, on cross examination, testified that he had known Mrs. Knapp a long time and considered her to have an excellent reputation. "You see, we trusted her," said Sullivan.

Then Mr. Medalle again took the witness and brought out that the Edwards store had received a check for \$200 from Mrs. Knapp which had been returned from the bank for "insufficient funds." He then proceeded to question the statement of the witness as to defendant's "good reputation" on this basis.

Bookkeeper Testifies  
Miss Ellen C. Hopkins, bookkeeper for the Edwards store, gave testimony as to the receipt of checks and bank drafts under consideration (Continued on Page 25)